

ST. GEORGE ORTHODOX CHURCH

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SATURDAY: VESPER SERVICE @ 400 P.M.

SUNDAY: ORTHROS @ 8:50 A.M. - DIVINE LITURGY @ 10:00 A.M.

CONFESSION BY APPOINTMENT

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Welcome to St. George! Thank you for attending today's Divine Services. If you are a first-time visitor, please register your visit by completing the guest book located in the narthex. We would appreciate getting to meet you after liturgy, so feel free to join us during Coffee Fellowship! Every Sunday we remember the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The word "Liturgy" means work of the people that means everyone participates through singing, praying, hearing the teaching, and opening our hearts to allow God's grace to enter. Anyone interested in learning more about our faith are encouraged to speak with one of our clergy.

Guidelines for Receiving Holy Communion for Orthodox Christians: Orthodox Christians fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist by receiving Holy Communion in fulfillment of Christ's command to eat His Body and drink His Blood. In order to be properly prepared to receive Holy Communion, the faithful should fast (no food or drink from midnight the night before), the Sacrament of Confession (7 years and older) within the last 2 months, being at peace with others, and striving to always love God and their neighbor. Frequent communion and regular confession are recommended for all faithful Orthodox Christians.

For other Christians: We welcome you to this celebration of the Divine Liturgy. Unfortunately we cannot extend to you a general invitation to receive Holy Communion. Orthodox Christians believe that the Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signifying a

oneness in faith, life, and worship of our community. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, but for which we must all pray. All, however, are welcome to partake of the blessed bread (antidoron) which will be given when coming forward to venerate (kiss) the Holy Cross and receive the final blessing from the priest. Again, welcome!

Second Sunday of Luke Venerable Kyriakos the hermit of Palestine

Martyr Petronia and those with her in Palestine; Mother Mary the hermit of Palestine

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FIVE

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION FOR ST. KYRIAKOS OF PALESTINE IN TONE ONE

Thou didst prove to be a citizen of the desert, an angel in the flesh, and a wonderworker, O Kyriakos, our God-bearing Father. By fasting, vigil, and prayer thou didst obtain heavenly gifts, and thou healest the sick and the souls of them that have recourse to thee with faith. Glory to Him that hath given thee strength; glory to Him that hath crowned thee; glory to Him that worketh healings for all through thee.

TROPARIAN OF ST. GEORGE IN TONE FOUR

As the deliverer of captives and the protector of the poor, as the physician of the feeble and combatant of kings, holy champion and great martyr George, intercede with Christ our God to save our souls.

ORDINARY KONTAKION IN TONE TWO (CHANT) (CHORAL)

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

THE EPISTLE

(For the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Thou, O Lord, wilt keep and preserve us.

Save me, O Lord, for the godly man has failed.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (1:21-2:4)

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; He has put his seal upon us and given us His Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me—it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

أَنْتَ يَا رَبِّ تَحْفَظُنَا وَتَسْتُرُنَا مِنْ هَذَا الْجِيلِ

خَلَّصْنِي يَا رَبِّ، فَإِنَّ الْبَارَّ قَدْ فَنِيَ.

فَصَلِّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِيسِ بُولْسِ الرَّسُولِ الثَّانِيَةِ إِلَى أَهْلِ كورِنْثُوسِ. (2:4-1:21)

يا إِخْوَةُ، إِنَّ الَّذِي يُثَبِّتُنَا مَعَكُمْ فِي الْمَسِيحِ، وَقَدْ مَسَحَنَا، هُوَ اللهُ، الَّذِي خَتَمَنَا أَيْضاً وَأَعْطَى عُرْبُونَ الرُّوحِ فِي قُلُوبِنَا. وَإِنِّي أَسْتَشْهَدُ اللهُ عَلَى نَفْسِي، أَنِّي لِإِشْفَاقِي عَلَيْكُمْ، لَمْ آتِ أَيْضاً إِلَى كورِنْثُوسِ. لَا لِأَنَّا نَسُودُ عَلَى إِيمَانِكُمْ، بَلْ نَحْنُ أَعْوَانُ سُورِكُمْ، لِأَنَّكُمْ ثَابِتُونَ عَلَى الْإِيمَانِ، وَقَدْ جَرَمْتُ بِهِذَا فِي نَفْسِي أَنْ لَا آتِيَكُمْ أَيْضاً فِي غَمٍّ. لِأَنِّي إِنْ كُنْتُ أُعْظِمُكُمْ، فَمَنْ الَّذِي يَسْرُنِي غَيْرَ مَنْ أُسَبِّبُ لَهُ الْغَمَّ؟ وَإِنَّمَا كَتَبْتُ إِلَيْكُمْ هَذَا بَعِيْنِهِ لئَلَّا يِنَالَنِي عِنْدَ قَدُومِي غَمٌّ مِمَّنْ كَانَ يَنْبَغِي أَنْ أَفْرَحَ بِهِمْ، وَإِنِّي لَوَاتِقٌ بِجَمِيعِكُمْ أَنْ فَرَحِي هُوَ فَرَحُ جَمِيعِكُمْ. فَإِنِّي مِنْ شِدَّةِ كَاثَبَةٍ وَكَرْبِ قَلْبٍ، كَتَبْتُ إِلَيْكُمْ بِدُمُوعٍ كَثِيرَةٍ، لَا لِتَعْنَمُوا، بَلْ لِتَعْرِفُوا مَا عِنْدِي مِنَ الْمَحَبَّةِ بِالْأَكْثَرِ لَكُمْ.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Second Sunday of Luke)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (6:31-36)

The Lord said: "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be

sons of the Most High; for He is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.”

فَصَلِّ شَرِيفًا مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ لَوْقَا الْإِنْجِيلِيَّ الْبَشِيرِ وَالتَّمْلِيذِ الطَّاهِرِ.
قَالَ الرَّبُّ: كَمَا تُرِيدُونَ أَنْ يَفْعَلَ النَّاسُ بِكُمْ، كَذَلِكَ افْعَلُوا أَنْتُمْ بِهِمْ. فَإِنَّكُمْ إِنْ أَحْبَبْتُمْ الَّذِينَ يُحِبُّونَكُمْ، فَأَيَّةُ مِنَّةٍ لَكُمْ؟ فَإِنَّ
الْخَطَاةَ أَيْضًا يُحِبُّونَ الَّذِينَ يُحِبُّونَهُمْ. وَإِذَا أَحْسَنْتُمْ إِلَى الَّذِينَ يُحْسِنُونَ إِلَيْكُمْ، فَأَيَّةُ مِنَّةٍ لَكُمْ؟ فَإِنَّ الْخَطَاةَ أَيْضًا هَكَذَا
يَصْنَعُونَ. وَإِنْ أَقْرَضْتُمْ الَّذِينَ تَرْجُونَ أَنْ تَسْتَوْفُوا مِنْهُمْ، فَأَيَّةُ مِنَّةٍ لَكُمْ؟ فَإِنَّ الْخَطَاةَ أَيْضًا يَقْرِضُونَ الْخَطَاةَ لِكَيْ يَسْتَوْفُوا
مِنْهُمْ الْمِثْلَ. وَلَكِنْ، أَحِبُّوا أَعْدَاءَكُمْ، وَأَحْسِنُوا وَأَقْرِضُوا غَيْرَ مُؤَمِّلِينَ شَيْئًا، فَيَكُونَ أَجْرُكُمْ كَثِيرًا، وَتَكُونُوا بَنِي الْعَلِيِّ. فَإِنَّهُ
مُنْعَمٌ عَلَى غَيْرِ الشَّاكِرِينَ وَالْأَشْرَارِ. فَكُونُوا رُحَمَاءَ كَمَا أَنَّ أَبَاكُمْ هُوَ رَحِيمٌ.

HOLY OBLATIONS 9/29/2024

Olga Nassar, in memory of husband Khader, Mom Salwa, and sister Majida.

Khaled and Sally Abuaita for the occasion of Ayham's birthday

Ric Shahin and JoAnn Hawkins for the health of the Shahin, Hawkins, Rhinehart, and

Moore Families and in memory of Jim Shahin

PRAYER LIST



Prayers are offered for our parishioners who are ill, recovering, or in need, especially His servants: Sahar Abdallah, Abeer Abuaita, Reader Fouad and Soad Abuaita, Philip and Janett Abuaita, Rasha Abuaita, Sami and Shafiqah Abuaitah, Laila Abud, George Abueita, Georgette Abueita, Youssif Abousamra, William Alshouri, Naila Banna, Douglas Coone, Vera Daoud, Said Farah, Joseph Gagne, Elias Gantos, Subdeacon George and Suad Gantous, Phyllis Good, Daisy Isaac, Danny Mortensen, Karen Mortensen, Laura Nassar, Adam Odeh, Elaine Shaheen, Michael and Nancy Silpoch; your servants Maria Kirk, Evan Sandford, and Jaden Turner who are in catechism (under instruction) to become members of our Orthodox Faith. We also pray for our Expectant Parents: Liana and Hanna Abuaita, Natania and Rene Hanna, and Dania and Subdeacon Salim Hanna. Stephanie, Nadim and newly born Alayna Burbar

Servants of God who have fallen asleep in the Lord: John Mays George Mansour (+ Sep 7th , uncle of Kari Mikroudis), Issa Jiries Ibrahim (+ Sep 23rd , brother of Ghada Abdallah).

Church School update:

Things are going very well, attendance is good. Parents it's not too late, if you haven't made it back to church or enrolled your children to church school, the doors are always open and we can't wait to see you and your family.

BAPTISM/CHRISMATION DAYS

The Church School offers the Holy Bread for our students who are celebrating the day of their New Birth: Zeina Abuaita~ October 23rd ~ Ryan Mitri October 28th

May they be children of the Light and heirs of eternal good things.

Prayers Answered! -

Basil Andoni recently had a kidney transplant. He would like to thank all those who have kept him in their prayers and continue to.

FR. JOE'S RETIREMENT LUNCHEON

Please send a 30 second video to Salim Hanna for Father Joe on his retirement. State a congratulatory wish, or a remembrance of something special you want him to know about. Send the message by September 30th to salimh91@gmail.com. Salim will compile the messages into a collage video to be shown at the Retirement Luncheon on Octo-

LADIES AUXILIARY

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 29 2024 LADIES AUXILIARY
MEETING IN THE LOUNGE AFTER DIVINE LITURGY**

Teen SOYO Wants YOU!!!

All teens of St. George are encouraged to participate in our teen group – Teen SOYO (Society of Orthodox Youth Organizations). Our group has dedicated leadership who will not be happy until all teens of St. George are participating! Whoever is reading this please pass it along to a teen in your house or to Godchildren, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, sons, & daughters. We are gathering on Saturday, October 5th. 12:00pm—5:00! If you would like to know more, come to our get-togethers, scan the QR code to sign up, or contact President Cezar Abuaita (810-986-1434 or cezrabuaita@icloud.com).



OUR STEWARDSHIP, OFFERINGS, & DONATIONS

BELOVED MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY OF ST. GEORGE

EACH OF YOU SHOULD GIVE WHAT YOU HAVE DECIDED IN YOUR HEART TO GIVE, NOT RELUCTANTLY OR UNDER COMPULSION, FOR GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER. (2 CORINTHIANS 9:7)

Our stewardship, offerings, and donations are needed. PLEASE help your parish by continuing to offer your gifts! If you cannot come to church, you can simply go to our parish website (<https://saintgeorgeflint.org/>) and donate on-line (or use the QR code to the left) or you can bring or mail your offerings to St. George, 5191 Lennon Road, Flint, MI 48507. As always, THANK YOU for your generosity and love of our St. George!

EASYTITHE OR CREDIT / DEBIT CARDS We use EasyTithe so everyone can make online one-time donations or donations that are automatically done for you! Go to our St. George Website (see above). If you need help, just come to the office or call 810-732-0720 during Office Hours.

AUTOMATIC GIVING Did you know most banks and credit unions offer automatic bill payment services? You can set it up so they send a check from your account to St. George for the amount you designate. This can be a onetime event or done automatically weekly/monthly. Just call or go online with your banking institution to get the form you need.



REMINDER(S):

SUNDAY 9-29-2024

HOME BLESSING PLEASE CONTACT FR. AMIN AT OFFICE: (810) 732-0720 OR

CELL: (248) 709 1186

- **SAY YOUR PRAYERS AT HOME AND READ THE BIBLE.**

SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday October 16th , 2024.

We are celebrating Arabic Divine Liturgy at 6:00 pm.

RIGHTEOUS FATHER KYRIAKOS THE HERMIT OF PALESTINE

On September 29 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our righteous father Kyriakos the Hermit of Palestine.

Verses

With bitter squills, O Kyriakos, thou dost fend off

That sweet tasting whereby thou wast condemned to dying.

On the twenty-ninth Kyriakos the squill-eater closed his eyes.

Kyriakos was born in Corinth to John and Eudoxia. His father John was a presbyter and Peter, Bishop of Corinth, was his relative. In his early youth, the bishop tonsured Kyriakos as a reader in the cathedral church. Reading the Holy Scripture, Kyriakos marveled at God's providence: how God glorified all His true servants and how He arranged the salvation of the human race. At age eighteen, Kyriakos began a life of asceticism that eventually took him to the community supervised by St. Chariton at Souka. Kyriakos became a celebrated canonarch, defender of Orthodoxy, ascetic, priest, miracle-worker and comforter. Kyriakos was large and strong in body, even in deep old age, despite strict fasts and vigils. In the wilderness, for years he ate only raw greens called squills. Kyriakos entered the eternal joy of his Lord in 557 at age 109. On this day, we also commemorate the Martyr Petronia and those with her in Palestine; and Mother Mary the hermit of Palestine.

Midwest Diocese
FAMILY FALL
Gathering

October 18-20, 2024
Clergy: October 17-19

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SOME HIGHLIGHTS

How to Build a Young Adult Ministry
with Fr. Mark Hagan



How to Build a Men's Ministry
with Fr. Michael Nasser

Offsite Teen SOYO Service Project for
ICCF Community Homes (ICCF.org)



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<https://www.youtube.com/c/SaintGeorgeOrthodoxChurchFlintMI>

If you have a smart TV, you actually have a web browser and YouTube app built in. All you have to do is start the browser app for YouTube and put the link in the address bar.